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SUBJECT: BOMBING OF FORMER CHILEAN AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES,

ORLANDO LETELIER

1. IN MID-MARCH 1977 [REDACTED] REPORTED THAT ONE ALFREDO GORLA, AN ITALIAN EXTREMIST/TERRORIST, HAD BEEN BRAGGING ABOUT HIS CONTACTS WITH THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT. [REDACTED] ALSO IDENTIFIED REMO STURLESE, AN ASSOCIATE OF GORLA, AS A BOMB EXPERT WHO

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HAD BEEN RESIDENT IN FRANCE, BUT WHO REPORTEDLY HAD FLED TO ENGLAND DUE TO HARASSMENT BY FRENCH POLICE. [REDACTED] DID NOT KNOW THE SUBSTANCE OF GORLA'S CHILEAN CONTACTS.

2.

[REDACTED] GORLA WAS BORN CIRCA 1948 IN ITALY; GORLA IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FERNAN ALTUVE, FEBRES ARMS FIRM IN MADRID AND CLAIMS TO BE THE LEADER OF AN ITALIAN FASCIST ACTION ORGANIZATION. GORLA ALSO CLAIMS TO HAVE TRAVELED TO ANGOLA WHERE HE WAS IN TOUCH WITH JONAS SAVIMBI. THE DATE OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS APRIL 1976.

THE ITALIAN POLICE INCLUDE GORLA ON A LIST OF ITALIAN EXTREMIST/TERRORISTS.

[REDACTED] STURLESE

WAS BORN CIRCA 1943 IN ITALY, AND WAS WANTED BY ITALIAN AUTHORITIES FOR PLANNING VARIOUS ACTS OF TERRORISM.

3. THIS INFORMATION IS BEING PASSED TO YOUR BUREAU BECAUSE OF GORLA'S ALLEGED CONTACTS WITH THE GOC AND WITH KNOWN BOMB EXPERTS,

[REDACTED] ARE MAKING ADDITIONAL INQUIRIES ABOUT

GORLA.

FBI HQ records negative re above individuals.

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